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Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm

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Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday at 11.45 am

Saturday at 4.30 pm

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Sunday Mass at 4.30 pm (in Tamil)

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THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

[CORPUS CHRISTI]

JUNE 3, 2018

What is “Corpus Christi”?

Corpus Christi means in Latin, “the Body of Christ.” It is a Solemnity – a Feast of the highest rank in the Catholic Church – honoring the Holy Eucharist, with a special emphasis on the Real Presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Why is this Feast called “Corpus Christi,” or “The Body of Christ”?

Corpus Christi derives its name in American usage from the original Latin designation: *Festum sanctissimi Corporis Christi* (The Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ). Corpus Christi emphasize the reality of Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, truly and “really” Present in the Eucharist.

Isn’t the Eucharist and reality of Christ’s Presence already celebrated on Holy Thursday?

Yes, but the focus of Holy Thursday is upon the sorrowful aspect of Christ’s sufferings in the Passion. Corpus Christi honors the Holy Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in a more joyful way. That’s the difference between the two Feasts.

What is meant when Catholics speak of the “Real Presence”?

By the “Real Presence,” Catholics mean that Christ our Lord is truly Present, completely, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

When did Christ give His Priests the power to change the bread and wine into His Sacred Body and Precious Blood?

Christ gave His Bishops and Priests the power to change bread and wine into His Body and Blood when He made the Apostles Priests of the New Covenant at the Last Supper by saying to them: “*Do this in memory of Me.*” In this way, the Apostles and their successors were commanded by Our Lord to renew until the end of time the words He spoke and the action He carried out at the Last Supper.

Does this change of the bread and wine into Christ’s Body and Blood still happen today?

This change of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ continues to this very day in the Church, by the Lord Jesus Himself, through His Priests.

How do Priests exercise the power to change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ?

Bishops and Priests exercise their power to change the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ by repeating at the Consecration of the Mass the words of Christ: “*This is My Body...This is the Chalice of My Blood.*”

What takes place when the Priest speaks the words of Consecration over the bread and wine at Mass?

When the Priest speaks the words of Consecration at Mass, transubstantiation takes place – the entire substance of the bread and wine are changed into Our Lord’s Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. (*Transubstantiation is pronounced: tranz-sub-stan-see-ay-shun.*) Substance is the essence of something, going far deeper than atoms and molecules!

What remains of the bread and wine after the words of consecration are spoken?

After the words of consecration, there is *no longer* any bread or

wine on the Altar! The bread and wine were changed into Christ’s Body and Blood.

How can there even be anything like Transubstantiation?!

If it be asked how it’s possible for transubstantiation to take place, we reply: “By the almighty power of God!”

Does anything of the bread and wine remain after the Consecration?

The appearances of bread and wine remain. The consecrated Host continues to look, taste, and feel like bread, but it is not bread, for the entire substance of bread is changed into Christ’s Body! The same thing is true of the consecrated Chalice, which continues to look, smell, and taste like wine (it even retains its power to intoxicate) – but there is no wine, only Christ’s Blood!

So, Catholics believe that Christ is truly present under the appearance of bread and wine?

After the words of consecration are spoken by the Priest, Jesus Christ is whole and entire under the appearances of bread and wine. In the Holy Eucharist, Christ is Present wholly and completely: Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Christ is present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity under the appearance of bread. Christ is also present Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the appearance of wine. It follows that wherever Christ’s Body and Blood are, there must also be His Soul. And, where Christ’s Soul is, there must also be His Divinity (i.e. His Being and Nature as “God”). Remember – His Divinity cannot be separated from His human nature!

Is Christ truly Present in each and every Host consecrated at Mass?

Yes. Christ is present in each and every Host and Chalice that is consecrated at Mass. He is also Present in every particle of the Host and in each drop in the Chalice that is perceptible to the eye!

How long does Christ remain in the Blessed Sacrament?

Christ’s Body and Blood are present in the consecrated species (= the Host and the Chalice) **as long as the appearances of bread and wine remain.**

When, therefore, we receive Holy Communion, we carry within us, as long as the appearances of bread and wine remain. After receiving Communion, Our Lord remains with us about 15 – 20 minutes.

Why does Christ give us His own Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist?

Christ gives us the gift of His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist:

- To be offered as a Sacrifice commemorating and renewing the Sacrifice of the Cross (1 Corinthians 11:26).
- To be received in Holy Communion.
- He shares His Divine Life – i.e. His Life and Being as “God” – with us (John 6:48-58).
- To remain forever on our Altars as a proof of His love, to share His life with us, and to be worshipped by us.

What are the effects of Holy Communion upon one who worthily receives Christ in this Sacrament?

The effects of a worthy reception of Jesus Christ in Holy Communion include:

- We become united to Christ. If Christ is immortal and we are united to Him – He makes US immortal as He is!
- The reception of Holy Communion deepens our union with God every time we worthily receive Christ. This is called an increase of Sanctifying Grace.

- Through Holy Communion and the gift of Himself, Jesus increases virtue (habits of doing good) within us.
- Our inclination to evil is lessened!
- The Eucharist is a pledge of everlasting life: "If anyone eats this Bread, he shall live forever!" (Cf. John 6:51).

Since Christ's Real Presence is in the Eucharist, what honor should we give to Him in so holy a Sacrament?

We are bound to render to the Holy Eucharist the same adoration and honor that is due to God Himself, because: Jesus is God. Jesus is present as God and man in the Blessed Sacrament. Therefore, we must worship the Eucharist because it is actually Christ – true God and true man! If only Catholics realized what a wonderful (and undeserved) privilege it is to have Christ actually present on our Altars at Mass and in the Tabernacle!

How do Catholics show love and respect for Our Lord, dwelling in Our Tabernacles?

We can show our love and gratitude to Jesus by not idly talking, laughing, or chatting in Church; by paying visits to Him in the Blessed Sacrament by attending First Friday Services, by attending Daily Mass, Benediction, making Holy Hours, and other practices. We must always genuflect before the Blessed Sacrament before we enter a pew. We should be careful to receive the Eucharist reverently – whether in the hand or on the tongue. ~ by *Fr. Rick Poblocki* ~

JUNE IS SENIORS' MONTH IN ONTARIO

"2018 marks the 34th annual Seniors' Month. The Ontario government's theme is, "Now's the time to start something new," highlights how aging does not prevent any of us from leading fulfilling lives. Seniors continue to contribute to our community and we can all benefit from their wisdom, friendship, and experience." www.ontario.ca/page/celebrating-seniors-ontario

In keeping with that theme, we invite you to start something new as well. During the month of June, we will have several events for you and your family and friends to try. Join us for our **Pasta Dinner on June 9th** or for our **Concert on Friday, June 29th** or **Line Dancing on Thursdays** after the 12:05 pm Mass or our **June Monthly Social on June 25th** after the 12:05 pm Mass, which will be our last monthly Social until September. If you haven't attended any Parish events, why not start something new?

Keeping in mind that we are celebrating Seniors this month, maybe you could start something new by inviting a Senior neighbour or friend to join you at any of the above events or take the time to just visit with a Senior or invite them to join you for Mass. If you don't know any Seniors, then our challenge for you in this month of June is to do an act of kindness for a parishioner or neighbour. Start something new – and invite someone to join you.

MATURING ADULT MINISTRY

We are starting something new....

We welcome anyone who might be interested in joining a **Steering Committee/Focus Group** as the Ministry with

Maturing Adults plans for next year. On **Monday, June 11th** there will be a meeting for all those who would like to help give direction and guidance to the Maturing Adult Ministry.

We will meet in the Garden, if weather permits, after the 12:05 pm Mass. Please bring your ideas. Light refreshments will be served. We do need to know the number of people attending



this meeting so please phone the parish office and leave your name or email Lorraine at treacylor@hotmail.com
THANK YOU to all who attended the May Social. Your presence makes all the difference. Laughter and lively conversation filled the Church Hall. May our friendships grow and our fellowship blossom. And may we remain rooted in Jesus Christ.



Mass Intentions

Monday June 4

12:05 pm † Betty Farrell
requested by the Farrell family

Tuesday June 5

St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
 12:05 pm

Wednesday June 6

St Norbert, Bishop
 12:05 pm *followed by the Novena to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Thursday June 7

12:05 pm

Friday June 8

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 12:05 pm † Patricia McCormick
requested by Clergy & Staff

Saturday June 9

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 9:00 am † Alberto Sr. & Felicidad Galase
requested by the Galase family

5 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday June 10

Tenth Sunday in ordinary time
 9 am † Bill Farrell
requested by Mary Leithwood

11 am † Deceased members of FOSS and souls in Purgatory
requested by Cora Tanaka

Let us celebrate !

THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Saturday, June 9th, 2018

The feast begins with the Living rosary at 4:15 pm followed by the 5pm Mass, Crowning of Mary, Flower Offering and a Pasta dinner following the Mass in the Church Hall. **Tickets are on sale now!**



BENEFIT CONCERT

The Music Ministry will be having a benefit concert at our Parish on **Friday, June 29th at 7:30 pm** to raise money, to rescue and restore our beautiful stained glass windows.

Our Children and Senior Choir will be performing along with the Children's Choir of Our Lady of Good Health,



special guests and maybe some priests too **Join us!**

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